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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Olivier CARLI et al.

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For: DEVICE FOR PREVENTING THE REMOVAL OF AN ANCHORING SCREW  
FOR AN OSTEOSYNTHETIC ELEMENT (AS AMENDED)

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 16, 2005

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please  
amend the application as set forth below.

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